



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Marc HERRMANN et al.

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR 1.56, it is requested that the documents noted on the attached List of Documents be made of record in the above-identified application. The documents were cited in the International Search Report in parent French application No. FR 99 15892, and were considered by the search authority to be relevant as indicated in the "Category" column of the International Search Report.

Without any assertion of prior art effect, the documents are noted on the attached List of Documents for the convenience of the Examiner.

The Examiner is urged to make his or her own determination as to the relevance of these documents.

Respectfully submitted,

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